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Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training

Have you heard about the Columbus Division of Police's Crisis Intervention Team (CIT)?

Team members respond to calls regarding individuals in mental health crisis. These situations often involve complex issues requiring specialized training and perspective. The Division will be providing this training to officers with the assistance of ADAMH (Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board of Franklin County).

11 police agencies as well as Columbus Division of Fire personnel will participate in this training during four 1-week periods in 2017 including this week, February 13-17. As part of the week-long training police personnel will engage in role plays.

Today, February 13, 2017 from 2:10pm-3:50pm at the James G. Jackson Police Academy at 1000 N Hague Avenue the media is invited to get video of the hearing voices exercise. The exercise involves the students putting on headphones that simulate auditory hallucinations. Interviews are available.

Anyone interested in attending today's role play should RSVP with Denise by 1pm by email

The dates for 2017 are:

- February 13-17
- April 3-7
- July 24-28
- October 9-13

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